



Arizona Department of Public Safety

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Arizona Department of Public Safety Requests Public Assistance with Fatal Investigation

On September 12, 2008, at approximately 4:59 PM, a three vehicle collision, involving two fatalities, occurred on eastbound Interstate 10 at approximate milepost 291 (30 miles east of Tucson). A white passenger van swerved to avoid hitting a brown and black colored dog which was on the roadway. A black passenger vehicle was attempting to avoid the white van when it was struck by a semi truck tractor/trailer. Two of the three occupants of the black passenger vehicle died from injuries sustained in the collision. After striking the passenger vehicle the semi truck tractor/trailer continued eastbound where it struck the white passenger van. The passenger van rolled over and into the median area. The occupants of the passenger van all sustained injury and were transported to local area hospitals for treatment.

Further investigation of the collision has shown that at the time of the collision a black colored Chevrolet extended cab, dual axle pickup truck with mud flaps, was parked in the median area where the collision occurred. A male subject was inside the pickup and a female subject was outside of the pickup. A brown and black colored dog was seen with the occupants of the pickup just prior to the collision. The pickup truck was then seen leaving the area of the collision and headed eastbound on Interstate 10.

We are requesting that if anyone has any information or witnessed the black Chevrolet dual axle pickup with mud flaps, or its occupants, to please contact the Arizona Department of Public Safety Duty Office at (602) 223-2212.

The mission of the Arizona Department of Public Safety, one of the most dynamic state-level law enforcement agency in United States, is to protect human life and property by enforcing state laws, deterring criminal activity, assuring the safety of the motoring public on Arizona's highways and providing vital scientific, technical and operational support to other criminal justice agencies. The Department, also one of Arizona's largest law enforcement agencies with some 2,200 sworn and civilian employees, consists of four divisions – Highway Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Criminal Justice Support and Agency Support. The Department is headquartered in Phoenix with offices located in more than 80 communities within Arizona's 15 counties.

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